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DECISION ON PETITION
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In re Application of:
MEMRAN, LOUIS I.
Application No. 10/002,382
Filed: October 20, 2001
For: UTILIZING VACUUM TUBES IN
COMPUTER AUDIO CIRCUITRY

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed June 4, 2003 under 37 CFR § 1.102(d) to make the application special.

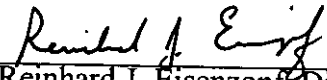
A grantable petition under 37 CFR § 1.102(d) and MPEP § 708.02, section II: Infringement, must be accompanied by the required fee and a statement alleging:

- (1) that there is an infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use;
- (2) that a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing device, product, or method with the claims of the application has been made, and that, in his or her opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed; and
- (3) that he or she has made or caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art or has a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art. Further, Applicant must provide a copy of each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if the references are not already of record.

Requirement 2 above has not been met. Petitioner has not made the required statement that "...some of the claims are unquestionable infringed." Requirement 3 has also not been met as copies of each of the references have not been provided. A copy of the abstracts does not meet this requirement. Petitioner lists the Prichard reference as patent number 802,182, but the reference should be listed as 5,802,182.

Accordingly, the petition is **DENIED**.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center's central files to await action in its normal turn.


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